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§ 421.251 Specialized definitions.

For the purpose of this subpart the general definitions, abbreviations, and methods of analysis set forth in 40 CFR part 401 shall apply to this subpart.

§ 421.252 Effluent limitations guidelines representing the degree of effluent reduction attainable by the application of the best practicable control technology currently available.

Except as provided in 40 CFR 125.30 through 125.32, any existing point source subject to this subpart shall achieve the following effluent limitations representing the degree of effluent reduction attainable by the application of the best practicable technology currently available:

(a) Smelter wet air pollution control.

BPT LIMITATIONS FOR THE PRIMARY PRECIOUS METALS AND MERCURY SUBCATEGORY

Pollutant or pollutant property	Maximum for any 1 day	Maximum for monthly average
	mg/troy ounce of gold and silver smelted	
Lead	0.546	0.260
Mercury	0.325	0.130
Silver	0.533	0.221
Zinc	1.898	0.793
Gold	0.130	
Oil and grease	26.000	15.600
Total suspended solids	53.300	25.350
pH	(1)	(¹)

¹ Within the range of 7.5 to 10.0 at all times.

(b) Silver chloride reduction spent solution.

BPT LIMITATIONS FOR THE PRIMARY PRECIOUS METALS AND MERCURY SUBCATEGORY

Pollutant of pollutant property	Maximum for any 1 day	Maximum for monthly average
	mg/troy ounce of silver reduced in solution	
Lead	0.168	0.080
Mercury	0.100	0.040
Silver	0.164	0.068
Zinc	0.584	0.244
Gold	0.040	
Oil and grease	8.000	4.800
Total suspended solids	16.400	7.800
pH	(1)	(1)

¹ Within the range of 7.5 to 10.0 at all times.

(c) Electrolytic cells wet air pollution control.

BPT LIMITATIONS FOR THE PRIMARY PRECIOUS METALS AND MERCURY SUBCATEGORY

Pollutant or pollutant property	Maximum for any 1 day	Maximum for monthly average
	mg/troy ounce of gold refined electrolytically	
Lead	83.160	39.600
Mercury	49.500	19.800
Silver	81.180	33.660
Zinc	289.100	120.800
Gold	19.800	
Oil and grease	3,960.000	2,376.000
Total suspended solids	8,118.000	3,861.000
pH	(1)	(1)

¹ Within the range of 7.5 to 10.0 at all times.

(d) Electrolyte preparation wet air pollution control.

BPT LIMITATIONS FOR THE PRIMARY PRECIOUS METALS AND MERCURY SUBCATEGORY

Pollutant or pollutant property	Maximum for any 1 day	Maximum for monthly average
	mg/troy ounce of silver in electrolyte produced	
Lead	0.021	0.010
Mercury	0.013	0.005
Silver	0.021	0.009
Zinc	0.073	0.031
Gold	0.005	
Oil and Grease	1.000	0.600
Total suspended solids	2.050	0.975
pH	(1)	(1)

¹ Within the range of 7.5 to 10.0 at all times.

(e) Calciner wet air pollution control.

BPT LIMITATIONS FOR THE PRIMARY PRECIOUS METALS AND MERCURY SUBCATEGORY

Pollutant or pollutant property	Maximum for any 1 day	Maximum for monthly average
	mg/kg (pounds per million pounds) of mercury con- densed	
Lead Mercury Silver Zinc	78.200 46.550 76.340 271.900	37.240 18.620 31.650 113.600
Gold Oil and Grease Total suspended solids pH	18.600 3,724.000 7,634.000 (¹)	2,234.000 3,631.000 (¹)

¹ Within the range of 7.5 to 10.0 at all times.

(f) Calcine quench water.